The Certificate of Undergraduate Study (CUGS) in Technical and Professional Writing allows students to study techniques and strategies used in genres of technical and professional writing, including within technical, medical, scientific, nonprofit, and other professional contexts. Students will learn to write in various professional and technical genres, such as reports, proposals, instructions, and educational materials, and will learn to compose for a variety of audiences. A particular focus of the certificate will be in learning to communicate complex information to lay audiences. Towards this end, students will gain skills in audience analysis, document design, style and editing, and research. Students will become more aware of theories and strategies of writing through close rhetorical analysis of professional and technical exemplary texts.

Required Courses 6 s.h.: Choose any two of the following:

|  | Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
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| ⃝ | WA 01302 | Introduction to Technical Writing |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | WA 01325 | Scientific Writing and Rhetoric |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | WA 01326 | Writing for Nonprofits |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | WA 01330 | Medical Writing and Rhetoric |  |  |  | 3 |

Electives 6 s.h.: Choose any two courses either from the above list, or from the courses listed below. Courses cannot be double-counted.

|  | Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
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| ⃝ | WA 01301 | Writing, Research, and Technology |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | WA 01322 | Writing for the Workplace |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | WA 01320  OR 01321 | Internship in Writing Arts I and/or II |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | JRN 02313 | Magazine Article Writing |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | JRN 02317 | Publication Layout and Design |  |  |  | 3 |

*Students may also receive credit toward the CUGS with special topics courses, with permission of advisor.*

*Students may also apply any of the following graduate courses toward the CUGS, in accordance with the senior privilege policy:*

|  | Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
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| ⃝ | MAWR01555 | Writing For Electronic Communities |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | MAWR01560 | Managerial Communication |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | MAWR01564 | Information Architecture |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | MAWR01565 | Technical Writing |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | MAWR01615 | Independent Study (in a Technical or Professional Writing area) |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | MAWR01620 | Internet and Writing Studies |  |  |  | 3 |
| ⃝ | MAWR01621 | Visual Rhetoric and Multimodal Composition |  |  |  | 3 |